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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In the Claims: Please amend claim 30 by rewriting as shown in the following. Additions to the claims are indicated by underlining and deletions from the claims are indicated by strikeouts. To expedite prosecution, please cancel claims 31-32 without disclaimer or abandonment of the subject matter of these claims. The applicant may choose pursue the canceled subject matter in a continuation. Upon entry of the amendment claims 30, and 33-35 will be pending in this application.

Listing of the Claims

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28. (canceled)

29. (canceled)

30. (currently amended) A method for forming images on media using a plurality of pages of data, comprising:

selecting a first imaging related option to form images on the media using N of the plurality of pages of data on individual of the media;

selecting a second imaging related option to form images on the media using a first imaging device having a capability to form the images on the media for ones of the plurality of pages of data having at least part of the data equal to or greater than a first characteristic resolution and using a second imaging device having a capability to form images on the media for ones of the plurality of pages of data ~~without the first~~ characteristic having a resolution less than the first resolution;

partitioning the plurality of pages of data into a plurality of sets, individual of the plurality of sets including up to N of the pages of data;

forming images on the media using the first imaging device for ones of the plurality of sets having at least one of the included pages of data having the at least part of the data equal to or greater than the first characteristic resolution; and

forming images on the media using the second imaging device for ones of the plurality of sets having none of the included pages of data having the at least part of the data equal to or greater than the first characteristic resolution.

31. (canceled)

32. (canceled)

33. (previously presented) A method for forming images on media using a plurality of pages of data having an order, comprising:

identifying ones of the plurality of pages of data having a first characteristic and ones of the plurality of pages of data having a second characteristic;

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sending the plurality of pages of data to a first imaging device capable of forming the images on the media for the plurality of pages of data having the first characteristic;

forming the images on the media, corresponding to the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the first characteristic, using the first imaging device;

including blank units of the media, corresponding to the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the second characteristic, among units of the media having the images corresponding to the first characteristic according to the order;

sending the plurality of pages of data to a second imaging device capable of forming the images on the media for the plurality of pages of data having the second characteristic; and

forming the images on the blank units of the media, corresponding to the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the second characteristic, using the second imaging device.

34. (previously presented) The method as recited in claim 33, wherein:

the first characteristic corresponds to color data included in the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the first characteristic;

the first imaging device includes a capability of forming color images on the media;

the second characteristic corresponds to only monochrome data included in the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the second characteristic; and

the second imaging device includes a capability of forming only monochrome images on the media.

35. (previously presented) The method as recited in claim 33, wherein:

the first characteristic corresponds to data at a first resolution included in the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the first characteristic;

the first imaging device includes a capability of forming the images on the media at the first resolution;

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the second characteristic corresponds to only data less than or equal to a second resolution, less than the first resolution, included in the ones of the plurality of pages of data having the second characteristic; and

the second imaging device includes a capability of forming the images on the media at the second resolution.

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